

REMARKS**I. Amendments**

Claims 1 and 6 are amended to clarify that the transcriptional regulatory region hybridizes under high stringency conditions with the complement of the rice β -glucanase gene (Gns9). Basis for this amendment can be found on page 11, line 8, where a preferred transcriptional regulatory region is described as the rice beta-glucanase-9 promoter.

These amendments add no new matter and Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment prior to issuance. The Examiner is invited to call the Applicant's representative at (650) 838-4410 if there are any questions concerning this amendment.

Respectfully submitted,



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